

COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

SERVICE MANUAL

VHF POWER AMPLIFIER

MODEL ACH100CD
AASCH100CD

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SECTION 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1-1 DESCRIPTION

The Regency AASCH100CD is a VHF power amplifier in the VHF (132-174 MHz) Communications Band. The AASCH100CD is capable of amplifying an input power level of 5 watts to 100 watts and meets EIA specifications for continuous-duty operation. The amplifier is designed for use with the MICRO COM H06, H09, 19" rack-mount VHF transceivers.

For a flexible and serviceable design, three separate printed boards are incorporated. The IPA/Switch Board (604-308) consists of the RF driver transistor, the pin diode antenna switch, the low-pass filter, and the VSWR detection circuit. The PA Board (700-320) has two RF power transistors and is the final amplifier. The Relay Board contains the DC line filter and the DC power relay.

The ACH100CD amplifier is exactly the same in design and construction less the pin diode antenna switch circuit. This amplifier is to be used for repeater or duplex base station operation only.

1-2 THEORY OF OPERATION

A. INTERMEDIATE POWER AMPLIFIER

The 5 watt RF output from the exciter is fed to the AASCHCD or ACH100CD transmit input connector. C101, C102, and L101 provide proper matching to the base of the intermediate power amplifier Q101, which operates Class C in the frequency range of 132-174 MHz. Q101 produces 20 watts with a DC collector current of 1.8 amperes. The output of Q101 is tuned to 50 ohms by C108 and fed to the power amplifier board.

B. POWER AMPLIFIER

C201 and C202 are tuned to provide proper matching to power amplifiers Q201 and Q202. The parallel configuration of Q201 and Q202 amplify the 20 watts from Q101 to a minimum of 100 watts with a DC collector current of 15 amperes. The output is then tuned to 50 ohms by C224 and fed to the low-pass filter on the IPA Board. Q201 and Q202 also operate Class C with a range of 132-174 MHz.

C. LOW-PASS FILTER

The ACH100CD low-pass filter is comprised of C111, L108, C115, L109, and C116. The AASCH100CD low-pass filter is comprised of those parts mentioned above as well as L107 and C113. This circuit also incorporates printed circuit capacitors as part of the filter. All higher order harmonics are attenuated to at least 64dB above the carrier.

D. ANTENNA SWITCH

The ACH100CD does not have the antenna switch circuitry installed.

On the AASCH100CD the antenna switch is made up by L107, C113, CR102, CR105, and C114. During a non-transmit condition, CR102 and CR105 are "OFF" thereby allowing all signals at the antenna to pass to the receiver. During transmit, CR102 and CR105 are forward biased which places an effective ground on the receive line. C113 is removed from the circuit and L107 appears as a high impedance to the transmitted RF signal providing further isolation of the receiver.

E. VSWR PROTECTION

The output of the low-pass filter is carried through the primary of T101, which is a 50 ohm microstrip, to the antenna. Any mismatch from the antenna will result in a voltage (VSWR) reflected back to T101. This voltage will be coupled to the secondary of T101 and rectified by CR103.

This negative voltage is fed back to the exciter and used to control the amount of drive available from the exciter. A decrease, (more negative), in voltage will decrease exciter drive power thus decreasing amplifier output power, thereby protecting the power transistors from damage due to an open or shorted antenna.

F. RELAY BOARD

The Relay Board consists of the DC power relay and two simple Pi filter circuits which filter the DC line. The relay is divided into two parts; part 1 provides filtered 13.8 VDC to Q201 and the IPA; part 2 provides filtered 13.8 VDC to Q202 and the exciter. This configuration allows equal current draw from each power supply for a cooler, more reliable operation.

GENERAL			REVISIONS			
NO	DESCRIPTION	DATE	REV	DESCRIPTION	DATE	APPROVED
1	CHANNELS		A	RELEASE R-635	6/29/81	DLF
2	FREQ RANGE *	132-174 MHZ				
3	OPERATING TEMP	-30°C TO +60°C				
4	OPERATING DUTY CYCLE					
5	SIZE (W-H-D)	19 X 10 X 5 1/4 IN RACK MOUNTED				
6	WEIGHT	9 LBS. 4 OZ.				
7	POWER	13.6 VDC				
8	CURRENT DRAIN	@13.6 VDC				
9	RCVR SQUELCH					
10	RCVR MAX AUDIO					
11	TRANSMIT	17.5 A				
12	ANTENNA	50 JL				
13	CHANNEL SPACING					
<p>* TYPE ACCEPTANCE UNDER FCC PART 21, 90 AND 97 VALID ONLY WHEN THE MICRO COM H06, H09 SERIES TRANSMITTER IS USED AS THE EXCITER</p>						
RECEIVER			TRANSMITTER			
NO	RECEIVER	NOMINAL	GUAR	NO	TRANSMITTER	NOMINAL
29	AUDIO OUT PWR (MAX)			43	OUT FREQ STABIL (VOLT)	
30	SQ BLOCKING			44	SPUR E HARM CONDUCTED	-70 dB
31	RCVR ATTACK TIME			45	SPUR E HARM RADIATED	-70 dB
32	RCVR SQ CLOSING			46	OPERATING BANDWIDTH	± 5 MHz
33	HUM E. NOISE RATIO			47	EMISSION	
34	UNDESIRED CONDUCTED (AC)			48	MODULATION	
35	UNDESIRED CONDUCTED (RF)			49	AUDIO FREQ DISTORTION	
36	UNDESIRED RADIATED			50	FM HUM E. NOISE	
37	HIGH HUMIDITY			51	AM HUM E. NOISE	
38	VIBRATION STAB			52	AUDIO FREQ RESPONSE	
39	SHOCK STAB			53	TRANS CARRIER ATTACK	EIA 100 MS MAX
TRANSMITTER			GUAR			
40	PWR OUTPUT	110W	100W	54	SIDE BAND SPECTRUM	
41	DC PWR IN TO FINAL	180W		55	HIGH HUMIDITY	
42	OUT FREQ STAB (TEMP)			56	VIBRATION STABILITY	
				57	SHOCK STABILITY	
<p>UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES. TOLERANCES ARE: FRACT DEC ANGLES</p> <p>± .010 ± .005 ± .002 ± .001</p> <p>MATERIAL: AASCH100C-D, ACH100C-D, AASCH100, ACH100</p> <p>FINISH: USED ON</p> <p>DO NOT SCALE DWG</p>						
APPLICATION			APPROVALS			
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USED ON			6-81			
			RDR: 6-81			
			CHECKED			
			UP TO SUPP			
			ENGR			
			D.L.F. 6/81			
			SPECIFICATIONS			
			VHF POWER AMPLIFIER			
			PART NUMBER 304-343			
			SCALE			
			SHEET 1 OF 1			

APPLICATION		REVISIONS			
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	AASCH100/ACH100	A	R-637	7/10/81	DLF
	AASCH100CD	B	AC-239	3-26-81	DAL
	ACH100CD				

TEST PROCEDURE
VHF RF POWER AMPLIFIER

I. Test Set-Up (Refer to Figure 1)

1. AASCH100*ACH100*Power Amplifier
2. VHF Power Generator
3. 50 ohm, 3dB Power Pad, 25 watts or greater
4. Wattmeter VHF 10W element
5. Wattmeter VHF 250W element
6. 50 ohm, 40dB Power Pad, 200 watts or greater
7. VHF Notch Filter
8. Spectrum Analyzer
9. Power Supply 13.6 VDC @ 25A
10. Ammeter 25A
11. AASCH Short Protector/Test Box (Figure 4)
12. Voltmeter 0-15V
13. Voltmeter 0-15V
14. Wattmeter VHF 1W element (not used with ACH100*)
15. 50 ohm Load, 1W or greater (not used with ACH100*)

II. Test Procedure

A. Calibration

1. Connect equipment as shown in Figure 1.
2. Set S1 of short protector (11) to center off position.
3. Adjust RF generator (2) to 5W at 155 MHz on wattmeter (4) when terminated into 50 ohms.
4. Set power supply (9) to 13.6 VDC at input to AASCH100/ACH100 (1) with voltmeter (13).
5. Calibrate power readings on output wattmeter (5).

*Also applies to continuous duty models

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	DRAWN	6/29/81				
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	DFTG. SUPV.					
MATERIAL	ENGR.	DLF 7/10/81	TEST PROCEDURE - VHF RF POWER AMPLIFIER			
FINISH			SIZE	PART NUMBER	REV.	
			A	TP-14-392	B	
DO NOT SCALE DRWG.			SCALE	SHEET 1 OF 7		

B. Short Circuit and LED Test

1. Connect P1 and P2 to AASCH100*/ACH100* amplifier (1).
2. Set S1 of short protector (11) to Position A.
The ON and Transmit LED's should light. If D2 (red) on the test box is on, the DC power input is shorted to ground.
3. Switch S1 to Position B; the bypass D3 (green) should be on.

C. Power Output Test (Refer to Figure 2)

1. Connect RF input and output cables as shown in Figure 1.
2. Preset trimmer capacitors C101 and C102 to mid-capacitance.
3. Preset trimmer capacitors C108, C201, and C202 as per the tuning chart (Figure 3).
4. Preset C224 for maximum capacitance.
5. Set S1 on short protector (9) to Position B (bypass).
6. Set wattmeter (4) to read reflected power. Apply RF input power. Tune C101 and C102 for minimum reflected power.
7. Tune C224, C202, C201, and C108 for maximum power on wattmeter (5).
8. Repeat Steps 6 and 7.
9. Adjust C224 for 17.5 amps or less. Power output should exceed 100 watts minimum.
10. To tune for 100 watt maximum power, set power output by tuning C224 toward maximum capacitance from its maximum power position for minimum current.
11. Harmonics as measured on the spectrum analyzer (8), with the notch filter (7) tuned to the carrier frequency should be greater than 64dB down.

D. Receiver Antenna Switch Test
(AASCH100*Model Only)

1. Connect wattmeter (14) and 50 ohm load (15) to receiver connector on the amplifier.
2. With amplifier indicating greater than 100 watts output, the maximum power on wattmeter (14) should not exceed 250mw.

E. SWR Circuit Test

1. With 100 watts power output the voltmeter (12) should read - 1.1 VDC
2. Pull coax connector off at wattmeter (5). Voltmeter (12) should read - 2.25 VDC

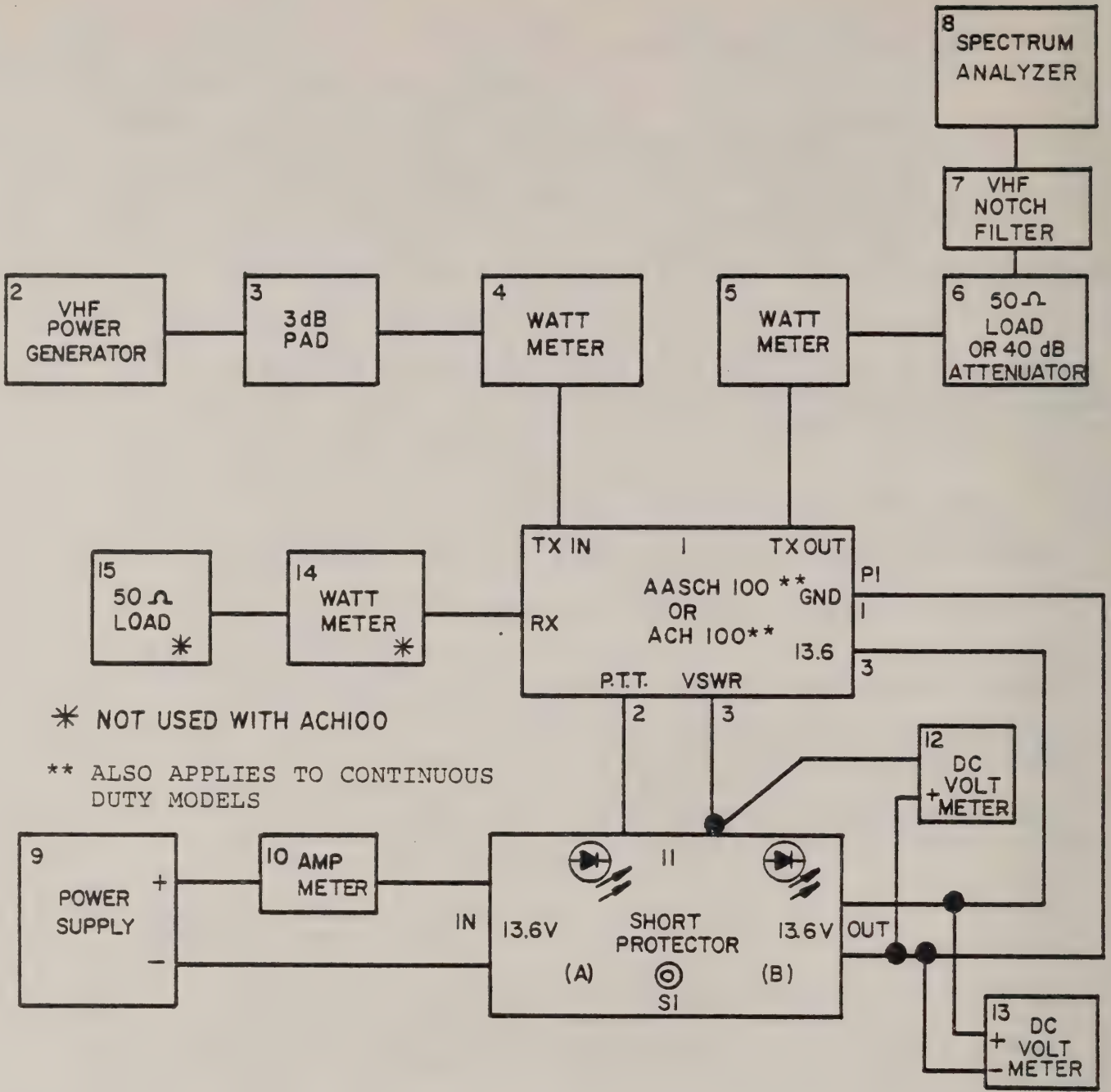
*Also applies to continuous duty models

DRAWN	Gm	DATE 6/29/81	SIZE	PART NUMBER	REV
APPROVED	PLF	DATE 7/10/81	A	TP-14-392	B
DO NOT SCALE DWG.			SCALE	SHT 2	

F. Table of Performance Limits

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>MIN</u>	<u>TYP</u>	<u>MAX</u>	<u>UNIT</u>
RF Power Out	100	110		W
DC Current	15.5	17.5	18.5	A
VSWR (normal)		-1.1		VDC
VSWR (cable pulled)		-2.25	-2.5	VDC

DRAWN	<i>fm</i>	DATE <i>6/29/81</i>	SIZE	PART NUMBER	REV
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* NOT USED WITH ACH100

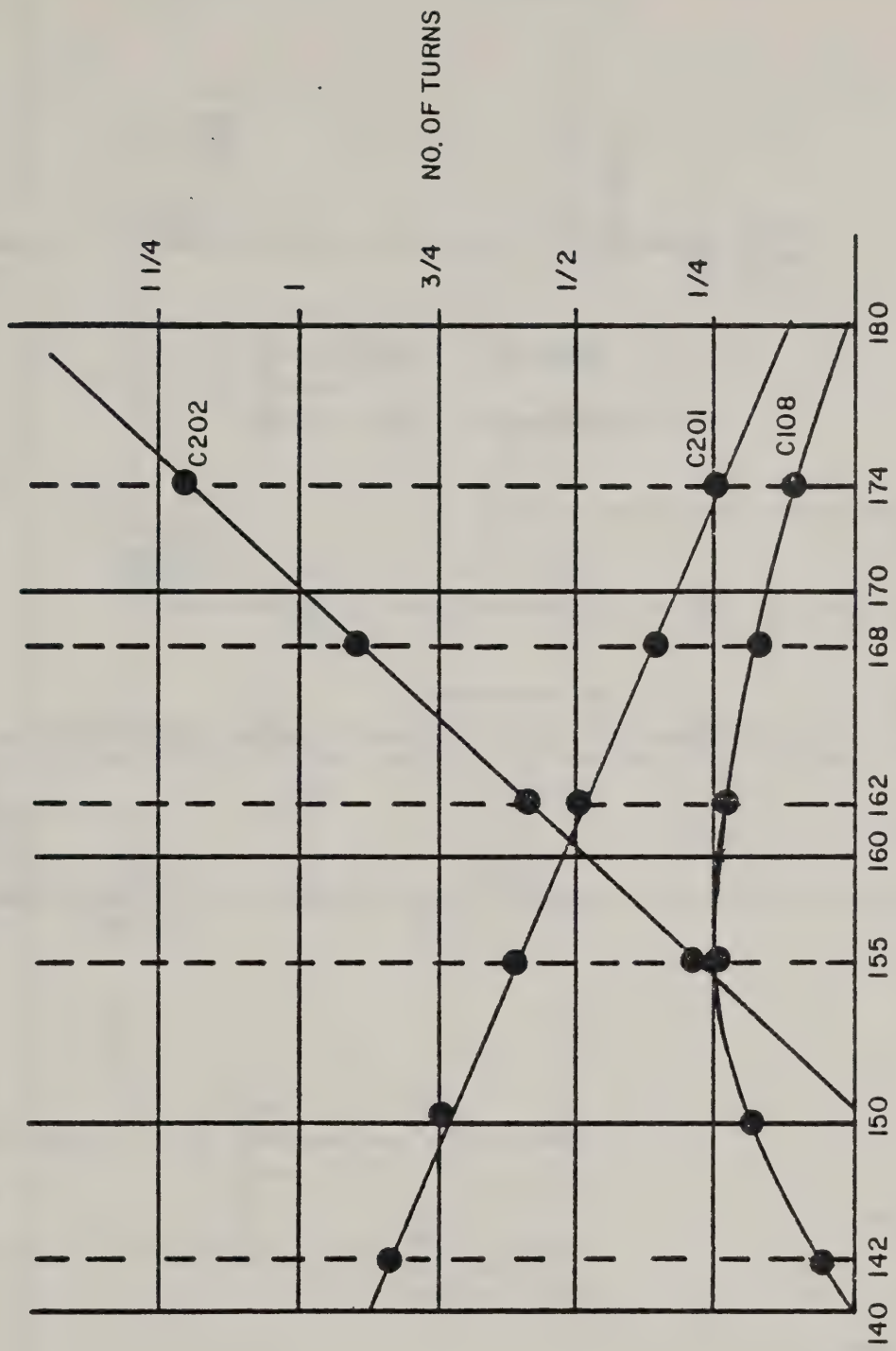
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TEST INTERCONNECTION DIAGRAM

FIGURE 1

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FIGURE 3



AASCH 100*/ACH 100*

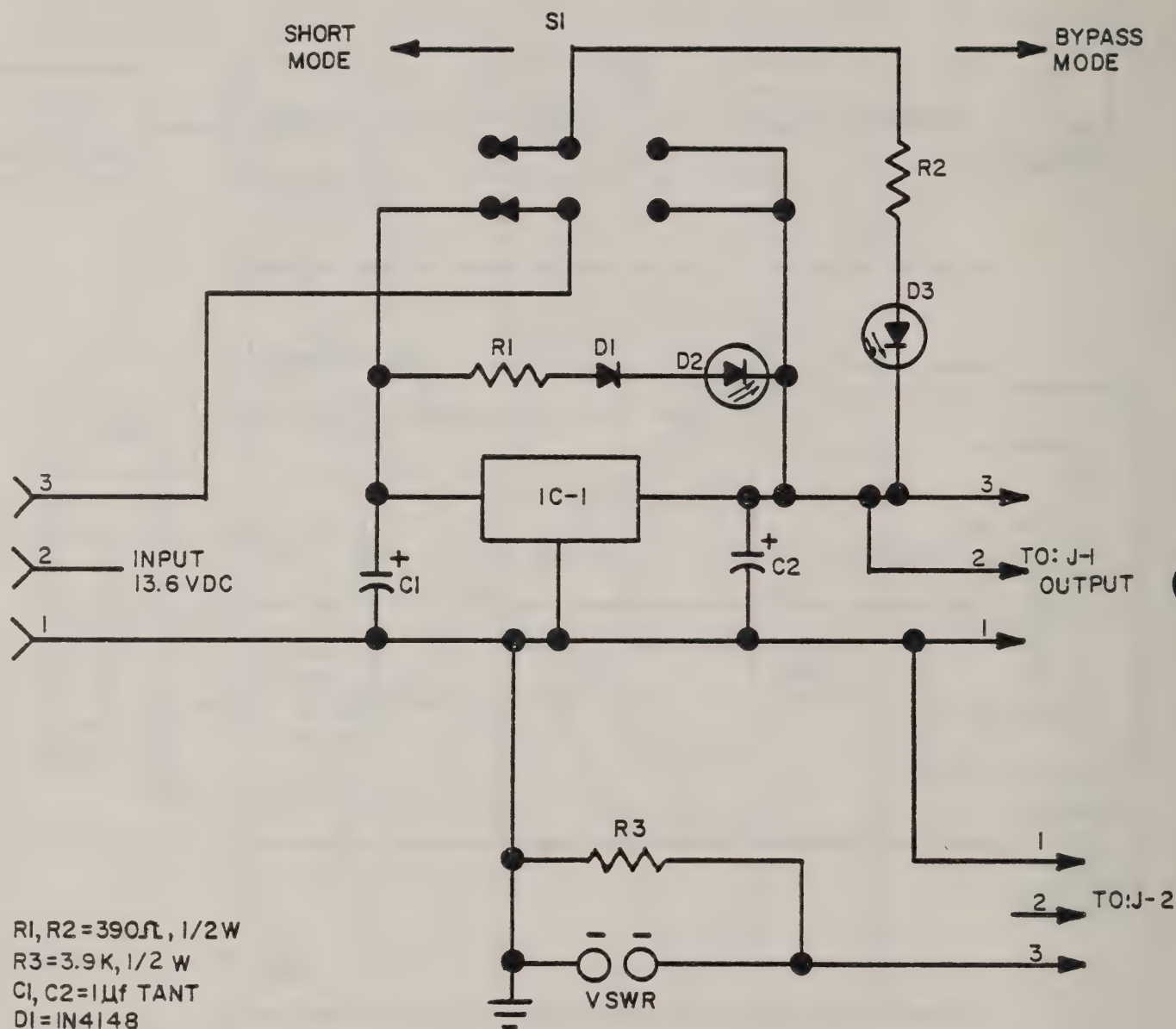
TUNING CHART

(IN TURNS CCW FROM RIGHT)

*Also applies to continuous duty models

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APPROVED <i>DLF</i>	DATE 7/10/81	SCALE ~		
DO NOT SCALE DWG.				SHEET 5

FIGURE 4



$R1, R2 = 390\Omega, 1/2W$
 $R3 = 3.9K, 1/2W$
 $C1, C2 = 1\mu f \text{ TANT}$
 $D1 = IN4148$
 $D2 = \text{RED LED}$
 $D3 = \text{GREEN LED}$
 $IC-1 = 7812 \text{ REGULATOR}$
 $SI = \text{D.P.D.T.}$
 $J-1 = \text{RED \& BLACK}$

AASCH SHORT PROTECTOR / TEST BOX
SCHEMATIC

DRAWN R.D.R.

DATE 6/29/81

SIZE

PART NUMBER

REV.

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A

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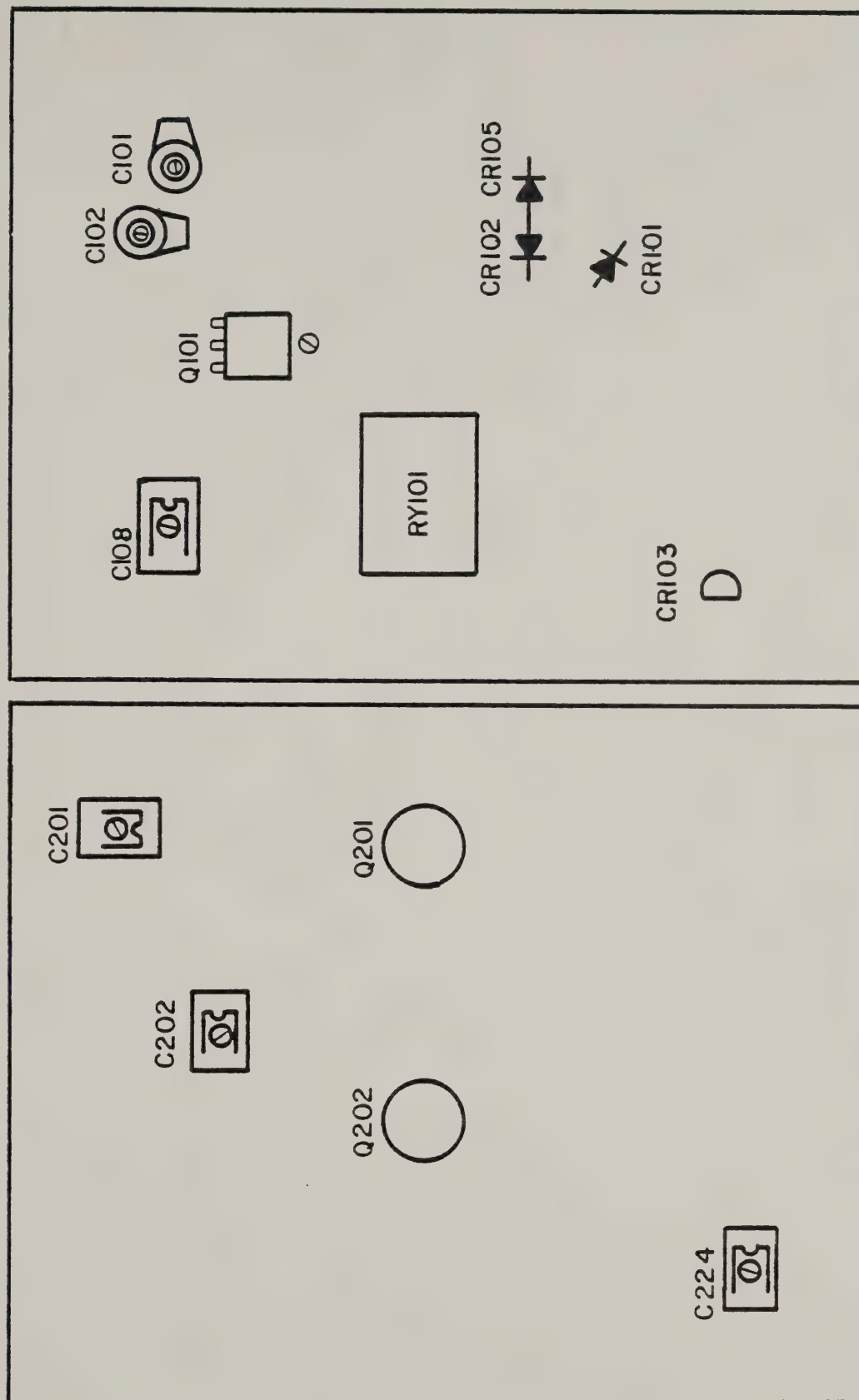
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FIGURE 2

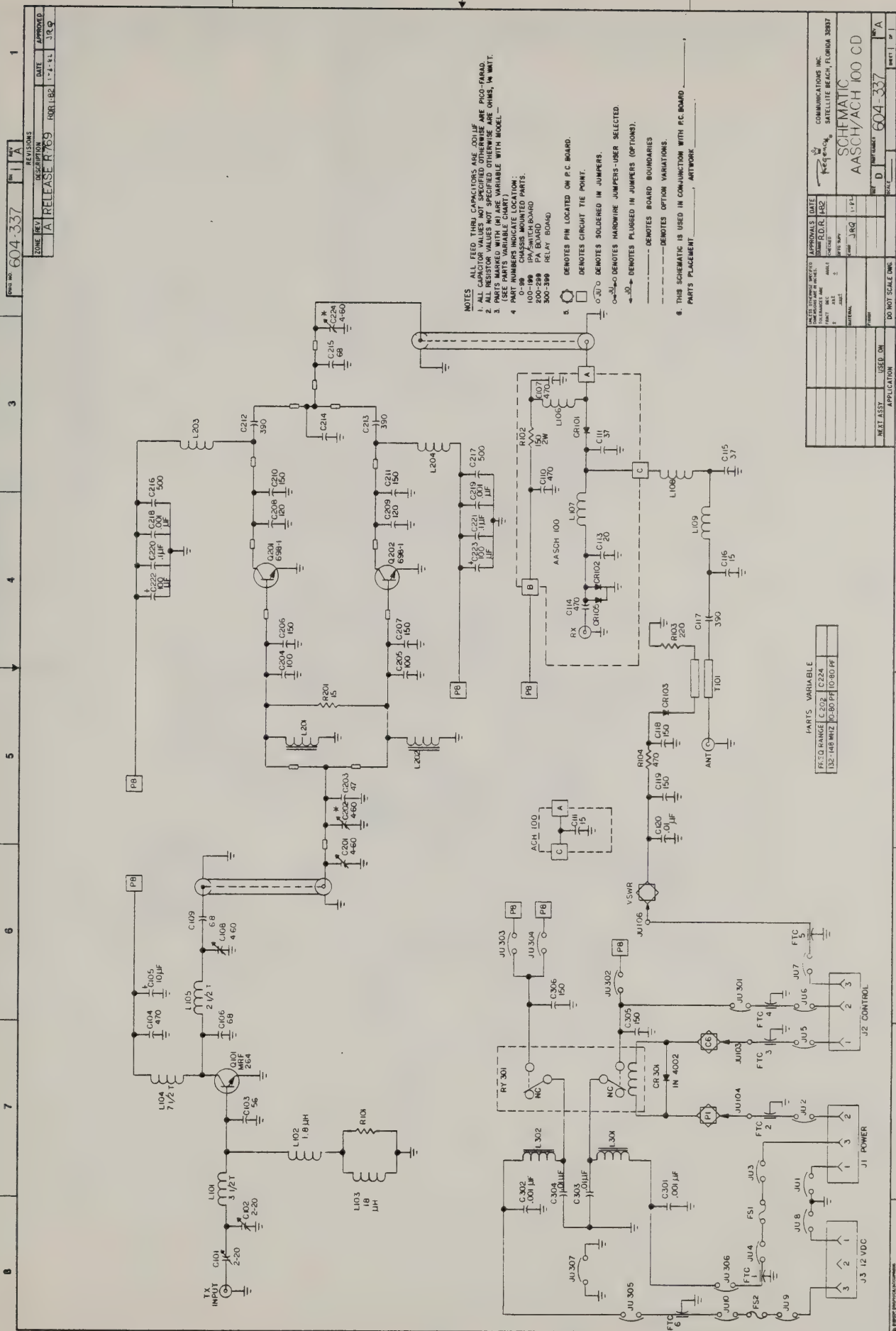


AASCH 100*/ACH100*
TUNING ADJUSTMENTS LOCATIONS

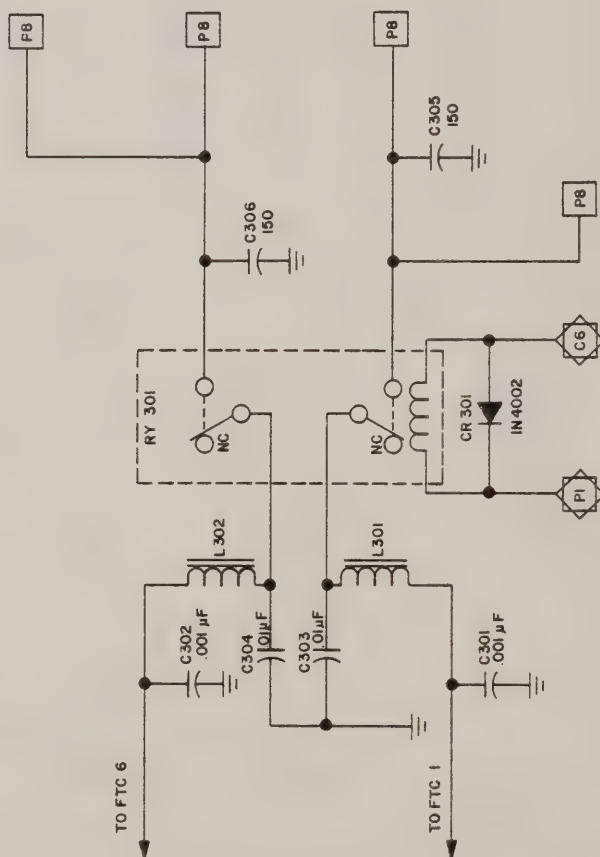
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APPROVED DLF	DATE 7/10/81	SCALE		SHEET 7
DO NOT SCALE DWG.				

SECTION 3 - SERVICE INFORMATION



REVISIONS			
ZONE	REV	DESCRIPTION	DATE
A	1	RELEASE R-759	RDR 12-1-81
			1/2-18-81
			5/2/81



NOTES.

1. ALL CAPACITOR VALUES NOT SPECIFIED OTHERWISE ARE PICO-FARAD.
2. DENOTES PIN LOCATED ON P.C. BOARD.
3. DENOTES CIRCUIT TIE POINT.

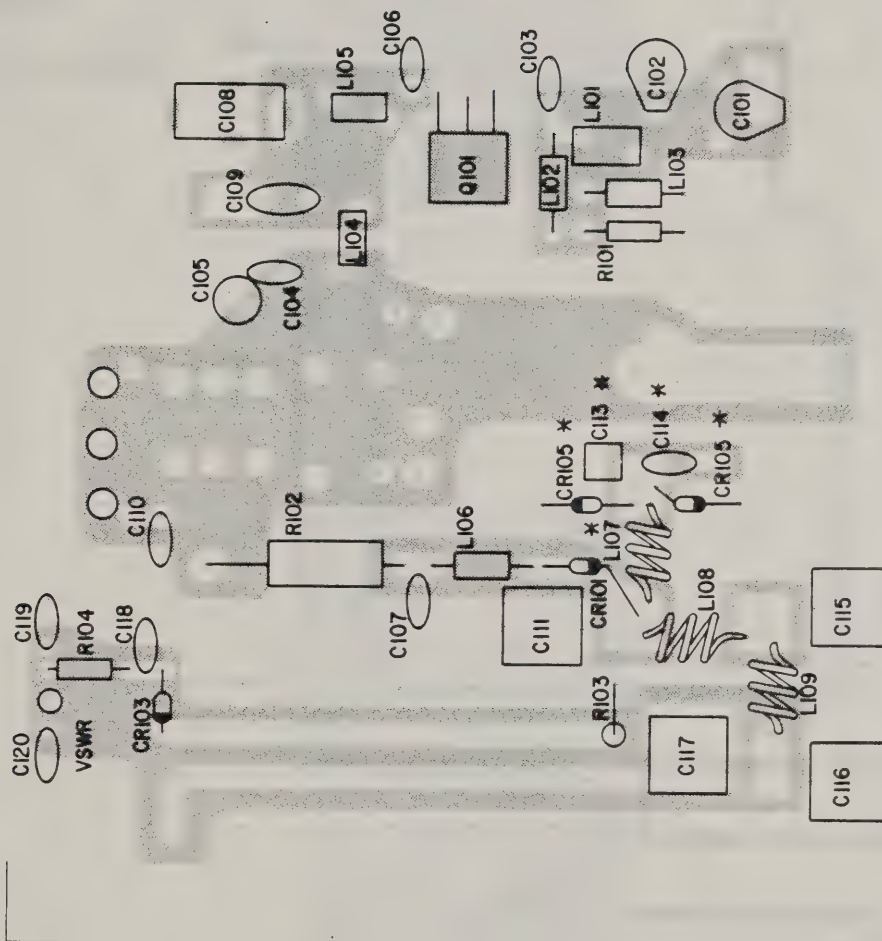
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DESIGNED			
ENGR.			
MATERIAL			
FINISH			
DO NOT SCALE DWG			
APPLICATION			
NEXT ASSY			
USED ON			
AASCH/ACH 100			
RELAY			
BOARD SCHEMATIC			
AASCH/ACH 100 CD RELAY BOARD SCHEMATIC			
COMMUNICATIONS INC.			
SATELLITE BEACH, FLORIDA 32837			
SIZE			
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504-617			
REV A			

3-3 IPA SWITCH BOARD PARTS PLACEMENT

AASCH100 CD

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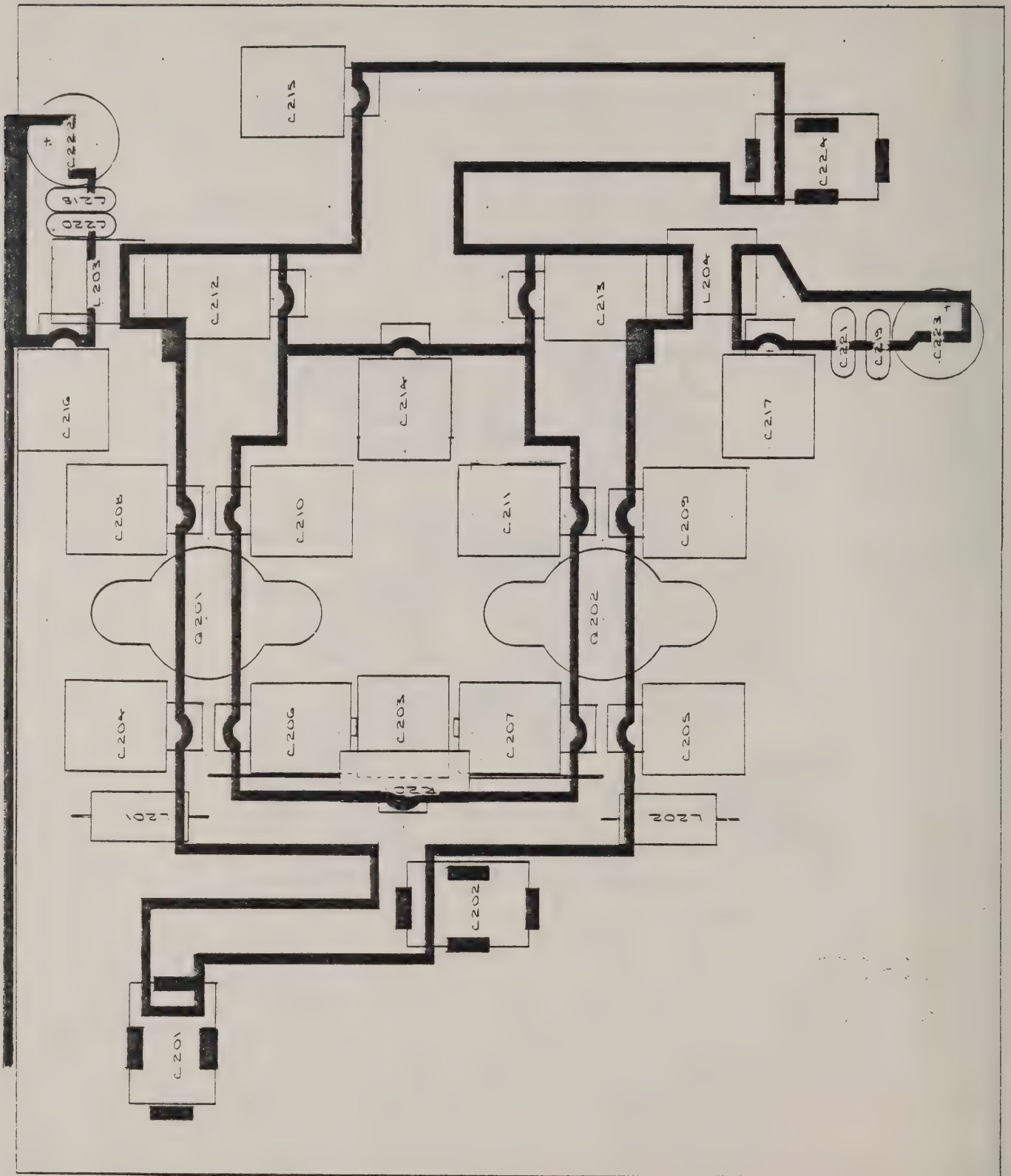


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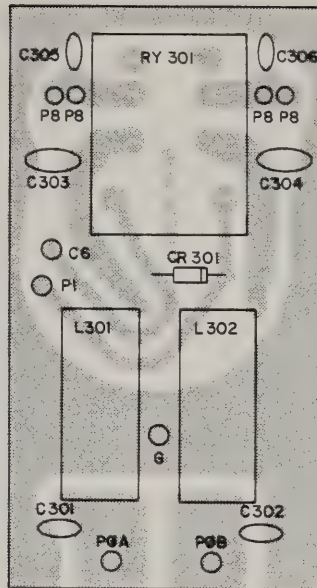
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3-4 PA BOARD PARTS PLACEMENT

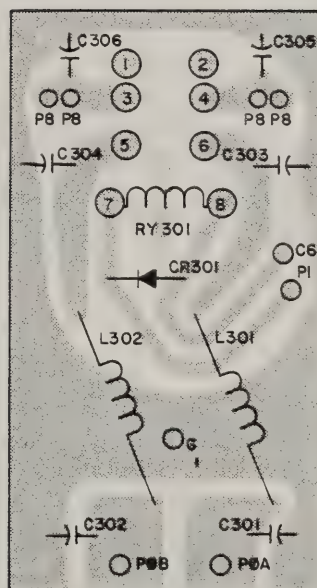
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3-4 - PA BOARD PARTS PLACEMENT



TOP VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW

RELAY BOARD

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SECTION 4 - PARTS LIST

4-1 IPA SWITCH BOARD - (604-308)

*Not used on ACH Models

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PART NUMBER</u>
<u>CAPACITORS</u>		
C101	2-20pF Trim	1517-0000-019
C102	2020pF Trim	1517-0000-019
C103	56pF NPO	1524-0560-002
C104	470pF CD	1523-0471-002
C105	10uF Elec	1513-0100-003
C106	68pF NPO	1524-0680-002
*C107	470pF CD	1523-0471-002
C108	4-60pF Mica Trim	1517-0000-002
C109	68pF Mica	1506-0680-550
*C110	470pF CD	1523-0471-002
*C111	37pF Undwd	1522-0370-002
C112	not used	
*C113	20pF Undwd	1522-0200-006
*C114	470pF CD	1524-0471-002
C115	37pF CD	1523-0471-002
C116	15pF Undwd	1522-0150-002
C117	390pF Undwd	1522-0391-002
C118	150pF Undwd	1523-0151-002
C119	150pF CD	1523-0151-002
C120	.01uF CD	1503-0103-003

RESISTORS

R101	10 ohm 1/4W 5% car film	4704-0100-032
*R102	150 ohm 2W 10% comp	4700-0151-046
R103	220 ohm 1/4W 10% comp	4700-0221-042
R104	470 ohm 1/4W 10% comp	4700-0471-042

COILS

L101	choke 3 1/2T	1803-5125-906
L102	choke 1.8 UHY	1803-3268-208
L103	choke 1.8 UHY	1803-3268-208
L104	choke 7 1/2T	1803-5125-913
L105	choke 2 1/2T	1803-5125-901
*L106	choke 1.8 UHY	1803-3268-208
*L107	coil .015 UHY	1801-1252-601
L108	coil .015 UHY	1801-1252-601
L109	coil .015 UHY	1801-1252-601

DIODES

*CR101	diode, pin	4815-3408-601
*CR102	diode, pin	4815-3408-601
CR103	Sil, 1N4148	4805-1241-200
CR104	not used	
*CR105	diode, pin	4815-3408-601

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PART NUMBER</u>
<u>TRANSISTOR</u>		
Q101	RF power, MRF 264	4804-3411-802

4-2 PA BOARD - (700-320)

CAPACITORS

C201	4-60pF EL404 PC Trim	1517-0000-002
C202	4-60pF EL404 PC Trim	1517-0000-002
C203	47pF 10% 50V Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0470-002
C204	100pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0101-002
C205	100pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0101-002
C206	150pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0151-002
C207	150pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0151-002
C208	120pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0121-002
C209	120pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0121-002
C210	150pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0151-002
C211	150pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0151-002
C212	390pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0391-002
C213	390pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0391-002
C214	68pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0680-002
C215	68pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0680-002
C216	500pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0501-002
C217	500pF 10% Undwd T101 Mica	1522-0501-002
C218	.001mF 50V Z5U CD	1503-0102-003
C219	.001mF 50V Z5U CD	1503-0102-003
C220	.1mF 12V +8C-20 CD	1502-0104-006
C221	.1mF 12V +8C-20 CD	1502-0104-006
C222	100mF 16V EL	1513-0101-002
C223	100mF 16V EL	1513-0101-002
C224	4-60pF EL404 PC Trim	1517-0000-002

RESISTORS

R201	15 ohm 1W 10% comp	4700-0150-045
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COILS

L201	ferroxcube vk 200 19/4B	2502-0000-002
L202	ferroxcube vk 200 10/4B	2502-0000-002
L203	choke .15 UHY BAH-100 302-690	1803-3269-000
L204	choke .15 UHY BAH-100 302-690	1803-3269-000

TRANSISTORS

Q201	RF Power MRF-245 302-698	4804-3269-801
Q202	RF Power MRF-245 302-698	4804-3269-801

4-3 RELAY BOARD - (504-618)

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PART NUMBER</u>
C301	.001mF CD	1503-0102-003
C302	.001mF CD	1503-0102-003
C303	.01mF CD	1503-0103-003
C304	.01mF CD	1503-0103-003
C305	150pF CD	1523-0151-002
C306	150pF CD	1523-0151-002
L301	choke BAH-100 302-964	1803-3269-400
L302	choke BAH-100 302-964	1803-3269-400
CR301	Silicon IN4002	4806-0000-004
RY301	Relay BAH-100 302-691	4500-3269-100

4-4 MAIN CHASSIS

ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS

FTC-1 - FTC-6	.001mF Feedthru	1521-5129-800
J-1	Power Connector	2109-5120-403
J-2	Control Connector	2109-5120-403
J-3	12 VDC Connector	2109-5120-403
	50 ohm Input Conn	2105-0000-020
FS-1	Fuseholder	2100-0000-003
FS-2	25 Amp fuse	5106-0000-012

MECHANICAL COMPONENTS

ACH100CD	Label, ACH100CD	2507-1430-309
AASCH100CD	Label, AASCH100CD	2507-1430-310
	Label, TX output	2507-1419-700
	Label, 12 VDC	2507-1419-800
	Label, Transmit	2507-1419-900
	Label, Control	2507-1520-000
	Feedthru shield	2508-3413-901
	Cover mtg. screw	2808-0250-022
	PCB mtg. screw	2809-0500-005
	Transistor mtg. screw	2823-0312-029
	Pwr shield mtg. screw	2803-0312-001
	Pwr shield mtg. nut	2852-0440-001
	Heatsink	5400-6424-000
	Wire tie	6005-0000-002
	Label, Receive	2507-1420-100

